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## About John V.A. Fine, Jr.

John V.A. Fine, Jr., was born in 1939 and grew up in Princeton, New Jersey. His father, John V.A. Fine, was Professor of Greek History in the Classics Department of Princeton University; his mother, Elizabeth Bunting Fine, was also a classicist and taught Latin and Greek in a private school, Miss Fine's School. John's undergraduate and graduate training was at Harvard University, where he studied Byzantium, the Balkans, and medieval Russia. He earned his Ph.D. in 1968 and began teaching at the University of Michigan in 1969. His academic interests range from theology and the history of Christianity to Byzantium and the medieval and modern Balkans. His publications have become standard in the field, notably his surveys of the Medieval Balkans (1983 and 1987). He has also revolutionized the way scholars understand the *Bosnian Church* (first published in 1975; republished in England in 2006), showing that it was not heretical. John recently published a study of notions of ethnicity in Croatia from the medieval period to the nineteenth century: *When Ethnicity Did not Matter in the Balkans* (2006). He has also raised understanding of Bosnian history, working tirelessly to correct popular misconceptions, especially during the Balkan wars of the 1990s. He co-authored *Bosnia and Hercegovina: A Tradition Betrayed* with former student Bob Donia (1994), a work published in England, the US, and in Bosnian translation in war-time Sarajevo (1995). He traveled to and lectured in the besieged cities of Sarajevo and Mostar during the war. John and his wife Gena have two sons, Alexander (Sasha) and Paul. Paul and his wife, Joanna Reed, have added a new generation of Fines, with their daughter Maria, to continue the family tradition.

## A TRADITION CONTINUED: TRIBUTE AND SYMPOSIUM IN HONOR OF JOHN V.A. FINE, JR., PROFESSOR OF HISTORY



**Tribute: Fri., Sept. 28, 5–7pm  
Michigan League, Vandenberg Room**

**Symposium: Sat., Sept. 29, 9–5pm  
Michigan League, Henderson Room**

**Tribute to John V. A. Fine, Jr.  
Friday, September 28, 2007**

**5:00: Reception**

**Ceremony, 5:30-6:30**

**5:30: Opening Remarks**

**Patrick Patterson,**

**Welcome and Introduction**

**Mary Kelley, History**

**Michael Kennedy, CREES**

**5:45: Rudi Paul Lindner**

**6:00: Robert J. Donia**

**6:10: Elizabeth Kostova**

**6:20: Conclusion: Duncan Perry**

**Afterwards: Open Tribute  
(All welcome to share)**



**International Symposium on Byzantine, Balkan, & Church History  
Saturday, September 29, 2007, 9:30am–5:00pm**

**9:00 Continental Breakfast**

**9:30 Introduction**, Irina Livezeanu, Assoc.  
Professor, Dept. of History, U. Pittsburgh

**MORNING SESSION**

**Church History & Byzantium**—Traianos  
Gagos Moderator, Assoc. Prof., Greek and  
Papyrology, Archivist of Papyrology, Director,  
Advanced Papyrological Information System  
(APIS), University of Michigan

**10:00 Partisans and Their Doctrines, from  
the Origenists to Tito**

Adam M. Schor, Asst. Professor, History Dept.,  
Long Island University, C.W. Post Campus

**10:30 The Legacy of St. Antony in the United  
States, Twentieth Century & Beyond**

Matthew T. Herbst, Director, Making of the  
Modern World Program, U. California San Diego

**11:00 The "Myth" of Romanos IV Diogenes:  
Byzantine Propaganda and Some  
Medieval and Modern Greek Uses**

Dimitrios Krallis, Asst. Professor, History Dept.,  
Simon Fraser University

**11:30 Did Ethnicity Matter in Byzantium?**

Anthony Kaldellis, Assoc. Professor, Dept. of  
Greek and Latin, The Ohio State University

**12:00 –1:30 LUNCH [Michigan Room]**

**AFTERNOON SESSION**

**Byzantium & Balkans**—John Forsyth  
Moderator, Bibliographer, University Libraries,  
Bowling Green State University

**1:30 What the Balkans Did to the  
Turks**

Rudi Paul Lindner, Professor, History  
Dept., University of Michigan

**2:00 What *Did* Matter in the  
Balkans: Another Look at  
Christianity, Islam, and the Tradition  
Betrayed**

Patrick Patterson, Asst. Prof., History  
Dept., University of California San Diego

**2:30 The Origins of Last Judgment  
Iconography in the Carpathian  
Mountains**

John-Paul Himka, Prof., Dept. of History  
and Classics, University of Alberta

**3:00 \*\*\*\*Coffee Break\*\*\*\***

**3:30 Struggles over Citizenship in  
the Post-Ottoman Balkans**

Anna Mirkova, Open Society Institute  
Fellow, Department of the History and  
Theory of Culture, Sofia University

**4:00 Bosnia Beyond Dayton**

Bruce Hitchner, Professor & Chair, Dept.  
of Classics, Director, Archaeology  
Program, Chairman, Dayton Peace  
Accords Projects, Tufts University

**4:30 Symposium Conclusion &  
Discussion**—Ian Mladjov, Moderator,  
Asst. Professor, Dept. of History,  
Bowling Green State University